

Albury High School



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YEAR 7 INDUCTION 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

Staff have been working towards a plan for an Induction Program for the Year 7, 2021 cohort. The Executive at Albury High School feel that due to the COVID-19 disruptions and our inability to organise a full program for students this year, we will change our usual processes and trial an Induction at the start of next year.

There will be a Year 6 into 7 Orientation Day on Tuesday 1 December, 2020 at Albury High School from 9:30am to 2:30pm. This will be the first time the cohort will be able to visit the school. At present the Year 7, 2021 Induction will begin on their first day of school on Friday 29 January, 2021 with the following timeline:-

- **9:00am** - Students must be at the hall. Students will have the opportunity to meet senior executive and wellbeing staff. This is their first meeting as a year group.
- **10:00am** - Students will begin working with Year 11 students, orientating themselves further with the school and their new timetables.
- **12:00pm** - Lunch
- **12:30pm** - Students will meet with their class groups for the rest of the day. This will include a photo being taken for our Sentral system.

We are encouraging parents and carers to purchase the school sports shirt and cap as a bundle cost of \$45.00. This can be done before school commences in 2021 from our school office in the closing weeks of school in 2020. The Albury High School P&C will purchase a book pack for all our incoming Year 7 students to welcome them to our school in 2021. The P&C understand that Covid-19 has been a difficult time for families and wanted students to have all the equipment to start their high school journey. This will be a one off gesture and we thank our P&C for this contribution.

Monday 1 February – Thursday 25 February

- Students will be placed in six classes of mixed ability for a month.
- During the first 4 weeks the emphasis will be on engaging students in their learning and building positive relationships with staff. To do this we will have a strong focus on the metalanguage and vocabulary of each subject area and the requirements for each student to be successful at high school. Our wellbeing classes and other scheduled activities will look to build strong bonds between students.
- During this period students will be involved in a number of formal and informal assessments so that we can build the best possible picture of their abilities. This information will be combined with the rich data from primary schools to allow students to be placed in classes that best meet their needs and allow our staff to tailor learning to best enable student growth.

- In Mandatory Technology lessons, students will sit the on-line BEST START assessments, this information will be used to assist in class placements. They will then study essential computing skills needed in all Mandatory Tech classes.

We believe a more structured and data informed start to the year will result in less class movements and angst that this causes during the year. We will however contact parents individually, if after time we feel students are not demonstrating growth, to discuss moving them to a class that better suits their learning.

Friday 26 February

- Students will take part in various team building activities as a year group. The exact nature of this day is dependent on COVID-19 restrictions which could still be in place during Term 1, 2021.

Monday 1 March

- Students will commence their identified ability class groups.

CLASS PLACEMENT FROM MONDAY 1 MARCH

- The class placement will be determined by our Faculty Head Teachers in conjunction with the Year Advisor – Mrs Elyssa May, Wellbeing Head Teacher – Mrs Carolyn Ratcliffe and Educational Support Head Teacher – Mrs Sharon Borham. Placement in classes will be via information received from local primary schools, the initial 4 week in-class induction assessments and the external BEST START data.

There are an expected 167 students starting Year 7 at Albury High School in 2021. This will mean we will have 6 main classes, one of which will be a literacy class to assist students with their learning needs. We believe with the information we will gather at the start of the year it will assist us to provide the best possible transition in a hopefully post Covid-19 environment and give students the best possible start to high school.

In 2021 our school will be introducing YONDR pouches for mobile phones, meaning students will not have access to their phones during the day without the express permission of a teacher to use them for class purposes.

We look forward to meeting your children and starting the now rescheduled Centenary celebrations in 2021.

Yours truly



MR DARRYL WARD
Principal



MR DAMIAN TOOHEY
Deputy Principal



AHS UNIFORM POLICY 2020



Students are expected to wear the school uniform at all times unless directed otherwise. The uniform code is well documented and has been formulated by the P&C Association with input from students, staff and the school community.

Uniform Code

| DO's | DON'Ts |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A black overcoat may be worn over a school jumper and/or a school blazer/jacket. | Obtrusive flesh piercing jewellery such as is worn in the nose, lip, eyebrow, etc. is not acceptable. |
| Enclosed footwear is to be worn at all times. | Sandals are not to be worn. |
| The formal uniform code requires button down shirts to be tailored. | Extreme coloured hair dyes/styles are not acceptable. |
| Black or red scarves may be worn. | No undergarments to be visible such as t-shirts, underwear, boxer shorts, bike pants or tights. (Active wear) |

UNIFORM:

- a) **Girls' Summer:** The junior uniform is either a blue/white/red checked dress with navy buttons or a blue/white/red check shirt with navy shorts, red jumper or red fleecy top, plain short white socks and black leather shoes. The senior uniform is either a blue and white check dress with navy trim or blue and white check shirt with navy shorts, plain short white socks and black leather shoes.

Girls' Sport: Sports and PE uniforms consist of a white polo shirt with school crest and black sports shorts, white socks and runners. Plain black track pants, school jumper and/or school jacket or red fleecy top are optional additions to the sports uniform.

- b) **Boys' Summer:** Grey uniform shorts (cut at the knee or above), school shirt (grey for juniors or grey polo shirt with black/red striped collar and embroidered school logo, blue for seniors or sky blue polo shirt with embroidered school logo), grey school jumper or red fleecy top and grey socks.

Boys' Sport: Sports and PE uniforms consist of a white polo shirt with school crest and black sports shorts, white socks and runners. Plain black track pants, school jumper and/or school jacket or red fleecy top are optional additions to the sports uniform.

Uniform Pool: The school maintains a uniform pool where items may be bought or exchanged. Donations of items are always appreciated. The uniform pool is available to parents and students during school hours. The office staff are in charge of the uniform pool.

- c) **Hats:** The wearing of school approved sun safe hats is strongly encouraged. P&C approved hats are available from 'Albury Uniforms & Schoolwear' and the school. During PE lessons outdoors and sport, the wearing of a sun safe hat is required in terms 1 and 4 for all year 7 to 10 students.
- d) **PE Lessons:** Students are to wear normal uniform to and from school and change for PE lessons. If a student has a PE lesson during periods 7 & 8 they may wear their sport uniform home.
- e) **Sport:** Full sport uniform or school uniform must be worn to and from school on sport days including the appropriate footwear. In the summer months the wearing of a school approved sun safe hat is strongly recommended.

FOOTWEAR: Plain black lace up leather shoes (with black laces), laced/covering to the top of the foot is the only footwear to be worn.

JEWELLERY:

- Simple necklaces and bangles may be worn.
- Jewellery may not interfere with the learning of others – is not a dangerous item and which doesn't become a safety hazard in practical lessons or playground activities. For this reason long earrings and large hoop earrings are unacceptable.
- All jewellery and makeup must be unobtrusive and inoffensive.



Junior Girls DRESS



Junior Girls Shorts



Junior Boys



Senior girls DRESS



Girls SHORTS



Senior BOY



PE Unisex

Summer Uniform at Albury High School



Junior Polo



Senior Polo